

REMARKS

At the outset, the Examiner is thanked for the thorough review and consideration of the pending application. The Final Office Action dated April 6, 2006, has been received and its contents carefully reviewed.

Claims 2-10, 12-14 and 16-19 are hereby amended. Claims 1, 11 and 15 are hereby cancelled. Claims 21-38 are hereby added. According, claims 2-10, 12-14 and 16-45 are currently pending in this application.

In the Office Action, claims 1, 6-11, 15, 19 and 20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,882,376 to Kim et al. (hereinafter "Kim").

The rejection of claims 1, 6-11, 15, 19 and 20 as being anticipated by Kim is respectfully traversed and reconsideration is requested.

Claims 1, 11 and 15 are herein cancelled. Therefore, the rejection of claims 1, 11 and 15 is moot. Claims 6-10 are herein amended and now depend from claim 2. Claim 2 is not rejected and was indicated in the last Office Action as containing allowable subject matter. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests the withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1, 6-11 and 15.

Furthermore, independent claim 19 is allowable over Kim in that claim 19 recites a combination of elements including, for example, "a second bus line formed before the first bus lines are formed, and having an edge overlapped with the first bus line and shaped in a non-linear structure so that the first bus line is prevented from opening, wherein the non-linear structure comprises a first portion having a width of the second bus line and a second portion which is narrower than the width of the second bus line." Kim does not teach at least these features of the claimed invention. Specifically, the structure of claim 19 of the present application is different from the structure in Kim in that "the non-linear structure comprises a first portion having a width of the second bus line and a second portion which is narrower than the width of the second bus line." In Kim, the recessed portion of the gate bus line does not have a non-linear structure having a first portion with a width of the bus line and a second portion with a width narrower than the width of the bus line. Accordingly, because Kim fails to teach these features of claim 19, Applicant respectfully submits that claim 19 and claim 20, which depends therefrom, are allowable over Kim.

Also, in the Office Action, claims 2-5, 12-14 and 16-18 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Each of claims 2-5 have been amended to include the limitations of independent claim 1 and claim 1 is herein cancelled. Each of claims 12-14 have been amended to include the limitations of independent claim 11 and claim 11 is herein cancelled. Each of claims 16-18 have been amended to include the limitations of independent claim 15 and claim 15 is herein cancelled. Claims 6-10 have been amended to depend from claim 2, claims 21-25 have been added and depend from claim 3, claims 26-30 have been added and depend from claim 4 and claims 31-35 have been added and depend from claim 5. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests the withdrawal of the objection to claims 2-5, 12-14 and 16-18 and respectfully requests the allowance of claims 2-10, 12-14, 16-18 and 21-35.

Moreover, new claim 36 recites a liquid crystal display and new claims 37-38 recite a pixel structure of a liquid crystal display. Kim does not teach the features of new claims 36-38. Accordingly, new claims 36-38 are allowable over Kim.


Applicant believes the foregoing remarks place the application in condition for allowance and early, favorable action is respectfully solicited.

If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at (202) 496-7500 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance. All correspondence should continue to be sent to the below-listed address.

If these papers are not considered timely filed by the Patent and Trademark Office, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, and any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 for any necessary extension of time, or any other fees required to complete the filing of this response, may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0911. Please credit any overpayment to deposit Account No. 50-0911. *A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.*

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